



PUBLIC NOTICE



Notice of Intent to Adopt a **NEGATIVE DECLARATION** and **ANNOUNCEMENT** of a **VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING**

(Study Results Available)

Guadalupe Active Partnership for Signalization and CAPM to Santa Maria (GAPS-CAPM)

Virtual Public Meeting

Date: Thursday, May 16, 2024

Time: 6:00 p.m.

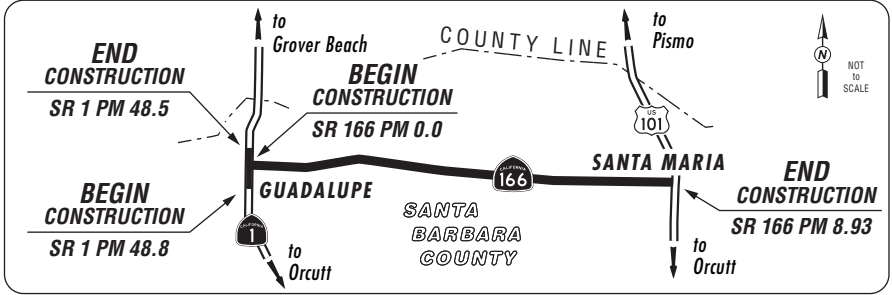
Virtual Public Meeting can be found at the project page:

<https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5/district-5-current-projects/05-1m310>



Comments will be accepted from April 29 to May 31, 2024.

If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) proposes a Capital Preventive Maintenance (CAPM) project with intersection improvements on State Route 166 from post miles 0.0 to 8.9 and State Route 1 from post miles 48.8 to 49.5 in Santa Barbara County. The project will preserve 10.4 lane miles of flexible Class 2 pavement and 12.1 lane miles of flexible Class 3 pavement. Traffic signalization will be incorporated at the State Route 1/State Route 166 and Obispo Street/State Route 166 intersections. Improvements will be made on the Union Pacific Railroad at-grade crossing with the inclusion of a pre-signal. The project includes replacing and adding Transportation Management Systems, removing and adding single-post and two-post signs, replacing sign panels, and rehabilitating or reconstructing sidewalk curb ramps to meet Americans with Disabilities Act standards.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. Our studies show the project will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration. This notice is to inform you of the preparation of the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and of its availability for you to read and comment on. A virtual public information meeting will be held to give you an opportunity to talk about certain design features of the project with Caltrans' staff before the final design is selected. It should also be noted that Santa Barbara County is in attainment of all National Ambient Air Quality Standards; therefore, conformity does not apply to the South Central Coast Air Basin where this project is located.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration is available for review at the following locations:

- Online at: <https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-5/district-5-current-projects/05-1m310>
- Caltrans District 5 Office at 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, weekdays, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Guadalupe Branch Library, 4719 West Main Street, Suite D, Guadalupe, California 93434, Monday through Friday, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Santa Maria Public Library, 421 South McClelland Street, Santa Maria, California 93454, Monday through Thursday, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Friday and Saturday, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., and Sunday, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WHERE YOU COME IN?

Do you have any comments about processing the project with an Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Please submit your written comments by U.S. mail or email no later than May 31, 2024, to Caltrans, Attention: Lucas Marsalek, Department of Transportation, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, or by email to lucas.marsalek@dot.ca.gov. The date Caltrans will begin accepting comments is April 29, 2024. If there are no major comments, Caltrans will proceed with the project's design.

CONTACT

For more information about this project, please contact the District 5 Public Information Office at 805-549-3237 or by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov, or Lucas Marsalek, Environmental Branch Chief, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, California 93401, at 805-458-5408 or by email at lucas.marsalek@dot.ca.gov, prior to the close of the public comment period on May 31, 2024.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, individuals who require accommodation (American Sign Language Interpreter, accessible seating, documents in alternative formats, etc.) are requested to contact the Caltrans District 5 Public Information Office at 805-549-3237 or by email at info-d5@dot.ca.gov. Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service line at 1-800-735-2929, Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922, or contact the California Relay Service Teletype Voice Line by dialing 711.